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Honorable Commissioner of Patents Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

SECOND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.114

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated November 18, 2005, and further to the Preliminary Request for Reconsideration filed on March 20, 2006, prior to continued examination on the merits, please enter and consider the following remarks:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper. No new matter has been added.

Remarks being on page 7 of this paper.